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EDUCATION

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- Graduate: 1976, Doctor of Philosophy in Anthropology,
The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, Texas.
- Major and Emphasis: Physical/Medical Anthropology; Kinesiology
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U.S.-Mexico border region.
- Dissertation Title: *"Densitometric Estimates of Body Composition in Mexican-
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- 1973, Master of Arts in Anthropology,
The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, Texas.
- Major: Physical Anthropology; Human Growth and Development
of Mexican American Children; U.S.-Mexico Border region
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- Thesis Title: *"Human Growth and Physical Development of Mexican
American Children in Brownsville, Texas"*
- Undergraduate: 1971, Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology with Honors,
The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, Texas.
- 1969, Associate of Arts, Texas Southmost College, Brownsville,
Texas.
- Secondary: 1964, High School Diploma, St. Joseph Academy,
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ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS

2014-2010	Director, Texas Center for Border and Transnational Studies, The University of Texas at Brownsville
2011-2010	Associate Provost and Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs
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2010	Special Assistant to the Provost
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1998-1991	Dean, College of Liberal Arts
1996-1995	Interim Dean, College of Science, Mathematics and Technology,
1994-1993	Interim Dean, College of Science, Mathematics and Technology,
1993-1988	Executive Director, Community Oriented Primary Care Association, (COPRIMA) Brownsville, Texas.
1992-1977	Director, The South Texas Institute of Latin and Mexican American Research, Border Research. Founding editor of: <i>The Borderlands Journal</i> , Texas Southmost College.
1987-1986	Executive Director, The Community Oriented Primary Care Program, The University of Texas Medical Branch, Department of Pediatrics, Administered in Brownsville, Texas.

TEACHING AND FACULTY POSITIONS

- 2014-2010 Professor of Anthropology and Sociology, The University of Texas at Brownsville, Brownsville, Texas
- 2010 Summer "Traditional Medicine without Borders: Curanderismo in the Southwest & Mexico," The University of New Mexico, Summer 2010.
- 2014-1992 Graduate Professor of Anthropology, Department of Behavioral Sciences, The University of Texas at Brownsville
- 2006-1994 Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Kinesiology, School of Education, The University of Texas at Austin.
- 2006-1987 Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Pediatrics, The University of Texas Medical Branch (UTMB), Galveston, Texas.
- 1985 Visiting Associate Professor, in Latin American Studies, The University of Texas at Austin. Mellon Fellow for the study "*Maquiladoras and Cultural Change*," Austin, Texas.
- 1981 Visiting Associate Professor, in Anthropology and Physical Education, Department of Anthropology, The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, Texas.
- 1979-1977 Adjunct Assistant Professor, in Anthropology and Sociology, Pan American University, Brownsville, Texas.
- 1976-1973 Teaching Assistant, in Anthropology, Department of Anthropology, The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, Texas.
- 1973-1972 Instructor, in Anthropology, Extension Division, The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, Texas.
- 1972 Teaching Assistant, in Anthropology, Department of Anthropology, The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, Texas.

PUBLICATIONS

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- Zavaleta, Antonio N. 2012, *Brujeria (Witchcraft)*, *Encyclopedia of Chicano Folklore*, Maria Herrera-Sobek, Editor, pp. 173-176, ABC-CLIO, Greenwood Press, Santa Barbara, California
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RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 2014-1985 *El Niño Fidencio: Mexico's Most Important Curandero –A Folk Saint for the New Millennium*
- 2014 ongoing Matachine Dance as an expression of protest and religious fervor in Mexico and the American Southwest.
- 2014-2010 ongoing The immigration of unaccompanied minors from Central American and Mexico to the U.S.-Mexico Border.
- 2014 Coordinated a major TV documentary field shoot for True-Crime documentary series called Killer Couples, for Oxygen Network, Rudy Fischmann, Producer, June 2014.
- 2014 Coordinated a major TV documentary field shoot for NBC Investigates, Diamaris Welch producer, May 2014
- 2014-2001 ongoing The Practice of Mexican Witchcraft "Brujeria" in a Northern Mexican , field research.
- 2014-2009 ongoing The Socio-Economic Impact of Border Instability "The Spillover Effect" on the Texas Border.
- 2014-1985 "*El Doctor Divino*," an ethnographic study of Folk-Catholicism and a healing movement in Northern Mexico and the United States; the followers of *El Niño Fidencio*. The study includes an ethnographic film examining health care delivery from an anthropological and mental health perspective.
- 2014-1998 "*The Niño Fidencio Research Project Webpage*," The transference and preservation of U.S.-Mexico border folk-culture in the virtual sphere of the World Wide Web. <http://vpea.utb.edu/elnino/fidencio.html>
- 2014-1985 Medicinal Plants of the U.S.-Mexico Borderlands.
- 2013-2008 Major writing project: *The Lost Scriptures of El Niño Fidencio: The Origins of Fidencismo 1925-1975*.
- 2013-1981 "A Study of the Practical and Folk Use of Medicinal Plants along the U.S.-Mexico Border," including the development of a "Border Herbal" and a "Medicinal Plant Database."

- 2010-2003 Cross-Border Mental Health Needs and Services Assessment Project, UTB-CBIRD, Project Co-coordinator.
- 2009-2002 Major writing project: *Curandero Conversations: El Niño Fidencio, Shamanism and Healing Traditions of the Borderlands*, published Summer 2009
- 2004-1986 "The COPRIMA Project," an indigent health care project designed to provide low-income persons living in *colonias* with primary health care, to provide comprehensive health education, develop a Lay Health Advisor Model, and to collect research data in an on-going project. First funded by the Texas Department of Health to the University of Texas Medical Branch (UTMB)- COPRIMA, Inc.
- 2004 Coordinated a major TV documentary field shoot for A&E City Confidential, Aired nationally, 2005, Part 2.
- 2002 Coordinated a major TV documentary field shoot for A&E *City Confidential*, Aired nationally, August 25, 2003, Part 1.
- 2001 Coordinated a major TV documentary field shoot on Mexican Witchcraft for The National Geographic Society, at the Mercado Sonora, in Mexico City.
- 2002-1995 "*Historic Folk Sainthood along the Texas-Mexico Border*," an on-going study of the importance of Folk-Catholicism in South Texas and Northern Mexico. In association with Dr. Joseph Spielberg of Michigan State University.
- 1998 *Zinc Deficiency in Mexican American Children*, 1998, Harold Sandstead, J. Penland, A. Prasad, N. Egger, N. Alcock, R. Carroll, H. Dayal, A. Zavaleta, C. Rocco, R. Plotkin, A. Milan and M. Arambula, The University of Texas Medical Branch, Galveston, Tx. The USDA-ARS Human Nutrition Research Center, Grand Forks, ND, the Wayne State SOM, Detroit, MI; The University of Texas at Brownsville, Brownsville, Texas & the Brownsville Independent School District, Brownsville, Texas.
- 1993-1991 "*The U.S.-Mexico Border Worksite Health Promotion Initiative*," a research grant funded by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, to Dr. A.N. Zavaleta of the Department of Behavioral Science at the University of Texas at Brownsville, and to Dr. Nell Gottlieb of The University of Texas at Austin.
- 1986-1980 "*The Border Industrialization Program and Cultural Change*," funded in part by the Institute of Latin American Studies of the

University of Texas at Austin, and the Andrew Mellon Foundation.

- 1985-1983 *"Health Needs Assessment Survey: U.S.-Mexico Border Community Case Study,"* funded in part by the USDHHS Grant No. 06H-000572-06, conducted in Brownsville, Texas.
- 1983 *"The Physical Growth Status and Health of Mexican American Children in Brownsville, Texas: Ten Year follow-up study."*
- 1983-1981 *"A Study of the Genetic Epidemiology of Diabetes in Mexican Americans,"* conducted by the University of Texas Health Science Center, Houston, Texas and the Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences, Houston, Texas, Body Measurement Component, conducted in Rio Grande City, Texas.
- 1980-1983 *"A Study of the Ethnography of Work: the Maquiladora Experience, Cooperation and Evaluation in the Work environment,"* Conducted in three maquiladoras in Matamoros, Tamaulipas, Mexico.
- 1980-1979 *"A Study of Substance Abuse and Mental Health Problems Among Mexican American Women of the Lower Rio Grande Valley of Texas."*
- 1979 *"A Study of Maternal and Child Health Status and Health Care Delivery Systems in the Lower Rio Grande Valley of Texas."*
- 1978 *"A Demographic and Social Analysis of the Lower Texas-Mexico Border Region."*
- 1977 *"A Demographic Study of the Regional Economy and Health Status of the Northern Mexican Populations."*
- 1975-1974 *"A Study of the Body Composition of Mexican American Boys, with special reference to their nutritional and health status."* Department of Kinesiology and Health Education, The University of Texas at Austin.
- 1972 *"A Study of the Physical Growth and Development of Mexican American Children in Brownsville, Texas."* Data Collected in the BISD, Brownsville, Texas.

PRESENTATIONS

Zavaleta, Antonio N. October 24-25, 2015, Understanding Latino Spiritual Healing-*Curanderismo*, Plenary Presentation to the Mind, Body and Spirit Conference, South Padre Island, Texas

Zavaleta, Antonio N. June 1, 2015, *Curanderismo* and the Maintenance of Chronic and Terminal Illness, Plenary Presentation to the HIV-AIDS conference, South Padre Island.

Zavaleta, Antonio N. April 23, 2015, The Transmigration of Popular Religion: Praxis and Renewal of Syncretic Faith Across the U.S.-Mexico Border, Folk Healing, Curanderismo, and the Practice of Biomedicine, The University of Texas Pan American, Edinburg, Texas/

Zavaleta, Antonio N. March 25, 2015, Three Hundred Years of Diaspora and Cultural-Genesis: Mexico's Northern Frontier and South Texas 1570-1870, Vaquero Genesis of the Texas Cowboy: The University of Texas at Brownsville, Texas

Zavaleta, Antonio N. July 1, 2014, Key Note presentation at the *Congreso por los Derechos de la Infancia y la Adolescencia: Hacia Una Nueva Gramatica de los Derechos Humanos* en Tamaulipas, Cd. Victoria, Special Invitation and Panel Presentation.

Zavaleta, Antonio N. May 26, 2014, *Understanding Latino Folk-Religion, Curanderismo*, Union Theological Seminary of New York, Columbia University, Traveling and studying the U.S.-Mexico border. Presented to the Dean, faculty, students and European visitors at The University of Texas at Brownsville.

Zavaleta Antonio N. October 19, 2013 Invited presentation at the Texas State Master Gardener Conference, *Medicinal Plants of the Borderlands*, McAllen, Texas.

Zavaleta Antonio N. October 16, 2013 Special Staff training presentation for the Brownsville Community Health Center, Brownsville, Texas.

Zavaleta, Antonio N. October 2013, Conference on Battlefield Archaeology, invited presentation entitled, *A Rapid Ethnographic Assessment of the Matamoros-Brownsville community regarding the creation of a National Historic Battlefield Site at Palo Alto*. (Presentation prepared for conference which was postponed due to the shutdown of the Federal government in October 2013).

Zavaleta, Antonio N. 2012 Presentation: *Curanderismo* on the U.S.-Mexico Border, to the students of the Union Theological Seminary of New York City traveling and studying the U.S.-Mexico border.

Zavaleta, Antonio N. Border Book Fair/Feria *Fronteriza del Libro*, Lecture and Book Signing, *Curandero Conversations: El Niño Fidencio, Shamanism and Healing Traditions of the Borderlands*, ITECC Campus, Brownsville Texas.

Zavaleta, Antonio N. October 26-28, 2011, Presentation: *La Transmigración de la religión popular: práctica y renovación de creencias sincréticas a través de la frontera México-EUA*, Quinto Coloquio Internacional del Noreste Mexicano y Texas: Miradas Cruzadas: Cultura Y Frontera, Mesa 7: Religiosidad e instituciones religiosas, Museo Nacional de Antropología, Mexico, D.F.

Zavaleta, Antonio N. May 27, 2011 Presentation on the U.S.-Mexico Border and Folk-Religious Beliefs, to visiting scholars and students from Bluffton University of Ohio, The University of Texas at Brownsville.

Zavaleta, Antonio N. May 2, 2011 Presentation to the International Visitor Leadership Program, *Combating International Crime, U.S.-Mexico Border Violence*, The University of Texas at Brownsville and Texas Southmost College.

Zavaleta, Antonio N. 2010 *Border Stability or Instability: The socioeconomic impact, relative to the border and state, of current economic and political relations with border cities and Mexico*, presented at the Texas Public Risk Management Association annual conference, Austin, Texas June 4, 2010

Zavaleta, Antonio N. 2010, *La Transmigración de la Religión Popular: Practica y Renovación de Creencias Sincréticas a travez de la Frontera México-Americana* (The Transmigration of Popular Religion: Praxis and Renewal of Syncretic Faiths Across the U.S.-Mexico Border) Accepted for presentation at the XIII Encuentro de la Red de Investigadores del Fenómeno Religion en México, Monterrey, Nuevo Leon, May 26-28, 2010. Presentation prepared but not delivered due to UT-System prohibition of travel to Mexican border states in May 2010.

Zavaleta, Antonio N. 2010 Texas Conference on Digital Libraries, *Texas Center for Border and Transnational Studies*, AT&T Conference Center, Austin, Texas May 17-18, 2010

Zavaleta Antonio 2010, *Panel Presentation of the Texas Center for Border and Transnational Studies*, at UTB/TSC, presented at CONAHEC's 13th North American Higher Education Conference, Rice University, Houston, Texas April 21-23, 2010

Zavaleta, Antonio N. Keynote speaker and presenter, 3rd. Annual CEU Conference: Mindscape: Behavioral Health Today October 23, 2009 Keynote Address: *The Importance of Cultural Competency in the Delivery of Health Care in the 21st Century*; Session IA: *Mental Health in the Mexican American Culture: The Importance of Complementary and Alternative Medicine*

Zavaleta, Antonio N. October 20-23, 2009 *Fourth Coloquio Internacional del Noreste Mexicano y Texas: Puentes y Barreras en el Pasado y en el Presente del Noreste de México y Sur de Texas*, The University of Texas at Brownsville, Conference host, panel moderator, and presenter. Mesa 7: Understanding the Local Response to the Palo Alto National Historic Site.

Zavaleta, Antonio 2009 The United States of America vs. The University of Texas at Brownsville and Texas Southmost College, a paper presented at the Society for Applied Anthropology, 69th Annual Meeting March 17-21, 2009, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Zavaleta, Antonio N., July 2003, "*Hispanic/Latino Alternative, Complementary, Integrative, and Unconventional Health Practices and their Importance in the Allopathic Medical Model,*" Presented at a seminar at the University of Texas Health Sciences at San Antonio, Regional Area Health Center, Harlingen, Texas.

Zavaleta, Antonio N., April 2002, "*Hispanic/Latino Alternative, Complementary, Integrative, and Unconventional Health Practices and their Importance in the Allopathic Medical Model,*" Presented at a seminar at the University of Texas Health Sciences at San Antonio.

Zavaleta, Antonio N., 2000, "*Do Cultural Factors Affect Hispanic Health Status,*" prepared for the UT-Health Science School of Public Health-Brownsville.

Zavaleta, Antonio N., 2000, "*Addressing Hispanic Health Problems in the 21st Century,*" a presentation and panel discussion presented at the University of Texas System Texas-Mexico Border Health Coordination Office Conference, South Padre Island, Texas.

Zavaleta, Antonio N., April 2000, "*The UTB/TSC model for Workplace Biliteracy,*" White House Initiative on Educational Excellence for Hispanic Americans, Spring Policy Seminar Series, K-16 Strategies for a Biliterate Workforce, Washington, D.C.

Zavaleta, Antonio N., April 2000, "*The UTB/TSC model for Workplace Biliteracy,*" Roundtable on Strategies for a Biliterate Workforce Outline of Key Issues, Office of Personnel Management, Washington, D.C.

Sandstead, H., Penland, J., Prasad, A., Egger, N., Alcock, N., Carroll, R., Dayal, H., Zavaleta, A., Rocco, C., Plotkin, R., Milan, A. & Arambula, M., 2000, "*Zinc Deficiency in Mexican-American Children,*" presented as a poster at the 2nd Meeting of the Association for Patient Oriented Research, Crystal City, Va.

Zavaleta, Antonio, 1999, "*Curanderos y Personas de Tercer Edad: A Multicultural Model for the Effective Support of a Healthy Latino Elderly,*" a paper and panel discussion presented at the University of Texas System Texas-Mexico Border Health Coordination Office Conference, South Padre Island, Texas.

Zavaleta, Antonio N., 1992, "El Doctor Divino: Spiritist Healing in the Mexican American Community," a paper presented at the *VI International Conference on Traditional and Folk Medicine*, Texas A&I University, Kingsville, Texas.

Zavaleta, Antonio N., 1989, "Curanderismo in a Changing World: Border Folk Healing Traditions for the 1990's," a paper presented at Texas A&I University, Kingsville, Texas.

Courses Taught at UT-B 2011-2014

ANTH 2301	Physical Anthropology
ANTH 2351	Cultural Anthropology
ANTH 3301	Anthropology of Latin America and the Caribbean
ANTH 3375	Mexican American Folklore
ANTH 4353	Ritual Belief and Healing
ANTH 4369	Archaeology of Mesoamerica
INDS 3303	Communities and Societies
SOC 4374	Special Topics in Sociology: The U.S.-Mexico Border
SOCI-4353	Special Topics in Sociology: The United States-Mexico Border

ETHNOGRAPHIC FILM

Associate Producer and Academic Advisor

Dr. Zavaleta has served as Associate Producer and Academic Advisor on the six-part documentary film series: El Alma Del Pueblo: The Mexican-Americans. Dr. Zavaleta has also served as series advisor for the film Grandma Vera's Tortillas. Films from the first series have received the following honors and awards:

Original Film	<i>El Mercado Sonora: A Traditional Healer's Market</i> 2000
Featured Screening	<i>Search for the Chupacabra</i> by Henry Serrato, Cinesol Latino Film Festival, Brownsville, Texas 2005
Featured Screening	Cinesol Latino Film Festival, South Padre Island, TX, 2000.
Featured Screening	Rio Bravo Conference, Texas A&M University Kingsville, Kingsville, TX, 2000.

Featured Screening	Margaret Mead Film Festival, American Museum of Natural History, New York City, NY, 1999.
Featured Screening	Cinesol Latino Film Festival, South Padre Island, TX, 1999.
Featured Screening Featured Screening	Freiburg Film Forum, Freiburg, Germany, 1999. University of Texas System Texas-Mexico Border Health Symposium, South Padre Island, TX, 1998.
Featured Screening	San Antonio CineFestival, San Antonio, TX, 1997.
Gold Apple	(Highest Honors), National Educational Media Network Film Festival, Oakland, CA, 1997.
Featured Screening	Southwest Council of Latin American Studies, Austin, TX, 1997.
Best National Documentary Film	Utah Short Film and Video Festival, Salt Lake City, UT, 1996.
Featured Screening	Southwest Council of Latin American Studies, Oaxaca, Mexico, 1996.
Featured Screening	Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History, Washington D.C., 1996.
Gold Apple	(Highest Honors), National Educational Media Network Film Festival, Oakland, CA, 1996.
Featured Screening	Chicago Latino Film Festival, Chicago, IL, 1996.
Featured Screening	Harvard University's Peabody Museum, Boston, MA, 1996.
Featured Screening	"Go See" Film Exhibit and Screening Invitational, Greenville, SC, 1996.
Featured Screening	American Anthropological Association, Washington D.C., 1995.
Featured Screening	Margaret Mead Film Festival, American Museum of Natural History, New York City, NY, 1995.
Mort Rosenfeld Award	Utah Short Film and Video Festival, Salt Lake City, UT, 1995.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE ACTIVITIES

- 2014 Expert for TV production, Killer Couples on the Oxygen Network dealing with the Mark Kilroy case.
- 2014 Member of the Mexican American Studies Coalition, University of Texas Pan American and the University of Texas at Brownsville
- 2014 Member-Advisor for the *One Day on Earth film Project*.
- 2014 Member Civil War Trail Stakeholders committee, The University of Texas Pan American CHAPS Program.
- 2014 Expert on Folk Magic for the NBC Investigative film project.
- 2014 Advisor, London Windfall Films Project, Steve Evens, Producer
- 2014 Member, Civil War Trail Project, Russ Skowronek UTPA
- 2011-2014 Member, Cameron County Civil War Battlefield Site Preservation Committee, preparation for the 2015 celebration
- 2012-2014 Member, Advisory Board, Male Success and Suicide Prevention Project of the Student Health Services, UTB
- 2014 Advisor and Board Member (Local Committee), One Day on Earth Film Project, PBS
- 2014 Advisor, VICE de Mexico, *El Niño Fidencio* Film Project
- 2014 Chair, Department of Behavioral Sciences, Personnel Committee
- 2014 Director, Texas Center for Border and Transnational Studies, The University of Texas at Brownsville.
- 2014 Managing Editor, Studies in Brownsville-Matamoros History Series, Volumes 1-12, The University of Texas at Brownsville, Texas Center for Border and Transnational Studies, The University of Texas at Brownsville
- 2013 Chairman, Personnel Committee, Department of Behavioral Sciences The University of Texas at Brownsville
- 2012 Advisory Board Member, Encyclopedia of Chicano Folklore, ABC-CLIO Greenwood Press, Maria Sobek Herrera Senior Editor.

2011-2013	Board Member, The Good Neighbor Environmental Committee, of the EPA, http://www.epa.gov/ofacmo/gneb/
2011-2012	Board Member, The Brownsville Museum of Art
2009-2010	Chairman, Cameron County, Texas Full Count Census Committee
2009	Founding and incorporating board member of Border Ambassadors, Inc.
2004-2002	Board Member, COPRIMA, Inc., Brownsville, Texas.
2002-2001	Board Member and Officer, Unidos Podemos, Inc., Brownsville, Texas.
2004-2001	Board Member, Su Clinica Familiar, Inc., Harlingen, Texas.
2002-2001	Member, New Faculty Search Committee, The University of Texas Houston Health Science Center, School of Public Health, Brownsville Satellite campus.
2001	Member, City of Brownsville's Winning, "All America City" application, Atlanta, Georgia.
2002-1999	Member, Texas Border Infrastructure Coalition.
2000-1999	Chairman, City of Brownsville, Complete Count Committee.
2004-2000	Ex-officio Board Member, Brownsville Downtown Development Corporation.
2000	Member, The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, School of Public Health, Health Needs Assessment Advisory Committee.
2004-1999	Member, The University of Texas System K-16 Taskforce.
2004-1999	Member, The University of Texas System Governmental Relations Advisory Committee (GRAC).
1999	Member, University of Texas Health Science Center in San Antonio, Regional Area Health Center Dean Search Committee.
2004-1998	Member, Dean Porter Park Restoration Project Mural Committee.
2001-1997	Commissioner, City of Brownsville, Civil Service Commission.
1996	Charter Member, Cameron Works Inc. (Cameron County

- Workforce Board).
- 1993-1989 Member of the National Advisory Council on Migrant Health, U.S.D.H.H.S.
- 1993-1978 Chairman and Member of the Board of Directors of Su Clinica Familiar, A federally funded migrant and community health center in Cameron and Willacy Counties, Texas.
- 1992 Member of the University of Texas Valley Health Commission.
- 1991 Appointed by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to serve as a member of the "Community Health Task Force."
- 1983-1991 Member of the City of Brownsville, Texas, City Commission, and Mayor Pro-Tempore.
- 1985-1991 Member of the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council, Health Planning Advisory Committee.
- 1985-1991 Member of the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council, Indigent Health Care Task Force.
- 1990-1992 Member of the Project Hope, Community Health Aide, Advisory Committee.
- 1990 Member, Assessment of Health Care for Hispanic Individuals, HRSA 240-89-0045, Health and Sciences International Incorporated, Lewin/ICF, Advisory Committee.
- 1990 Member, Bi-National Health Study Committee, Cameron County Health Department, University of Texas Health Science Center, Houston.
- 1989-1990 Participant, MSIP, Minority Science grant, UT-Pan American Edinburg and Texas Southmost College.
- 1984-1990 Member and past board chairman for the Cameron Willacy Counties Community Projects, Inc., (CWCCP), The Community Action Project (CAP) for Cameron and Willacy Counties, Texas.
- 1986-1988 Member and Vice-Chairman of the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council. The Council of Governments (COG) for the Lower Rio Grande Valley of Texas.
- 1988 Member, The Valley Primary Health Care Review, Review

- Committee, Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council.
- 1985-1987 Founding Member of the Board of Directors of RGV Educational Broadcasting, Inc., KMBH, Channel 60, Public Television, Harlingen, Texas.
- 1985-1987 Member of the board of directors of Amigos del Valle, Inc., services for the elderly in the Lower Rio Grande Valley of Texas.
- 1985-1984 Member of the board of directors of the Brownsville Health Facilities Development Corporation.
- 1984-1983 Member, Brownsville Independent School District, Curriculum Committee.
- 1983-1982 Consultant for the Quality Control of the Body Measurement Section of the Hispanic Health Survey, HANES III, (Hispanic HANES) U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Washington, D.C.
- 1980 Chairman, Advisory board of directors of the Rio Grande State Center for Mental Health and Mental Retardation.
- 1980 Member, Research Taskforce, National Association of Community Health Centers.
- 1980 Co-Chairman, Session on Borderlands Research Projects, Annual meetings of SCOLAS, Austin, Texas.
- 1979 Co-Host, Annual meetings of the Cibola Anthropological Association meetings held in Brownsville, Texas.
- 1979-1977 Vice-Chairman, Brownsville Citizens Advisory Committee, Community Development Block Grant process, U.S.D.H.U.D.
- 1978-1977 Member, Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council, Regional Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Advisory Committee.

THESIS DIRECTION

Delgado Van Wagenen, Monica, 2000, "*The Sacred and the Mundane: Appearances of Deity in Ordinary Objects in the Lower Rio Grande Valley of Texas*," MAIS Thesis, The University of Texas at Brownsville.

Van Wagenen, Michael, 1998, "*The Texas Republic and the Mormon Kingdom of God: The Attempt to Establish a Theocratic Nation in the Texas-Mexico Borderlands in 1844*," MAIS Thesis, The University of Texas at Brownsville.

Escamilla, Laura Ann, 1996, "*The Fidencista Project: A Study of Collaborative Ethnographic Videography Across Cultures*," MA Thesis, The University of Texas at Austin

AWARDS, GRANTS, AND HONORS

- 2009 *Premio Ohtli*, Awarded by the Republic of Mexico. Awarded to persons who have dedicated part of their life to professional activity that "*abrir brecha*," or is a pathfinder outside of Mexico and has been involved in activities dedicated to the betterment of Mexicans outside of the country.
- 1997 *Gold Apple* (Highest Honors), at the National Educational Media Network Film Festival, Oakland, CA., for the documentary film series: El Alma Del Pueblo: The Mexican-Americans.
- 1996 *Best National Documentary Film*, at the Utah Short Film and Video Festival, Salt Lake City, UT, for the documentary film series: El Alma Del Pueblo: The Mexican-Americans.
- 1996 *Gold Apple* (Highest Honors), at the National Educational Media Network Film Festival, Oakland, CA, for the documentary film series: El Alma Del Pueblo: The Mexican-Americans.
- 1995 *Mort Rosenfeld Award*, at the Utah Short Film and Video Festival, Salt Lake City, UT, for the documentary film series: El Alma Del Pueblo: The Mexican-Americans.

- 1993-1986 The COPRIMA project grant for primary health care for indigents living in South Texas Colonias. Texas Department of Health, approximately \$3 million dollars over 11 years.
- 1993-1991 Maquiladora Women Worksite Health Promotion Grant, Texas Coordinating Board Advanced Research Grants.
- 1985 Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Summer Fellowship in Latin American Studies at the University of Texas at Austin.
- 1985 Award of Merit from the American GI Forum.
- 1983 Grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for the study of the Health Needs of Brownsville, Texas.
- 1979 Outstanding Young Men of America Award.